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Status

- 1) ☒ Responsive to communication(s) filed on 17 October 2005.
- 2a) ☐ This action is **FINAL**. 2b) ☒ This action is non-final.
- 3) ☐ Since this application is in condition for allowance except for formal matters, prosecution as to the merits is closed in accordance with the practice under *Ex parte Quayle*, 1935 C.D. 11, 453 O.G. 213.

Disposition of Claims

- 4) ☒ Claim(s) 1-28 is/are pending in the application.
- 4a) Of the above claim(s) _____ is/are withdrawn from consideration.
- 5) ☐ Claim(s) _____ is/are allowed.
- 6) ☒ Claim(s) 1-28 is/are rejected.
- 7) ☐ Claim(s) _____ is/are objected to.
- 8) ☐ Claim(s) _____ are subject to restriction and/or election requirement.

Application Papers

- 9) ☐ The specification is objected to by the Examiner.
- 10) ☐ The drawing(s) filed on _____ is/are: a) ☐ accepted or b) ☐ objected to by the Examiner.
Applicant may not request that any objection to the drawing(s) be held in abeyance. See 37 CFR 1.85(a).
Replacement drawing sheet(s) including the correction is required if the drawing(s) is objected to. See 37 CFR 1.121(d).
- 11) ☐ The oath or declaration is objected to by the Examiner. Note the attached Office Action or form PTO-152.

Priority under 35 U.S.C. § 119

- 12) ☐ Acknowledgment is made of a claim for foreign priority under 35 U.S.C. § 119(a)-(d) or (f).
- a) ☐ All b) ☐ Some * c) ☐ None of:
1. ☐ Certified copies of the priority documents have been received.
2. ☐ Certified copies of the priority documents have been received in Application No. _____.
3. ☐ Copies of the certified copies of the priority documents have been received in this National Stage application from the International Bureau (PCT Rule 17.2(a)).

* See the attached detailed Office action for a list of the certified copies not received.

Attachment(s)

- 1) ☐ Notice of References Cited (PTO-892)
- 2) ☐ Notice of Draftsperson's Patent Drawing Review (PTO-948)
- 3) ☐ Information Disclosure Statement(s) (PTO-1449 or PTO/SB/08)
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- 4) ☒ Interview Summary (PTO-413)
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- 5) ☐ Notice of Informal Patent Application (PTO-152)
- 6) ☐ Other: _____.

DETAILED ACTION

Summary

On July 28, 2005, an Office Action was mailed to the Applicant rejecting claims 1-28. On October 17, 2005, the Applicant responded with arguments.

Claim Rejections - 35 USC § 102

The following is a quotation of the appropriate paragraphs of 35 U.S.C. 102 that form the basis for the rejections under this section made in this Office action:

A person shall be entitled to a patent unless –

(a) the invention was known or used by others in this country, or patented or described in a printed publication in this or a foreign country, before the invention thereof by the applicant for a patent.

Claims 1-28 are rejected under 35 U.S.C. 102(a) as being anticipated by Nel (US 2002/0042778).

Nel discloses a method and corresponding system for performing transactions comprising a first television display in a first home of a first user (p.2, 35), a first storage in the first home, the first storage supporting media consumption by the first television display in the first home, and having a first network protocol address (p.4, 53), a user interface, at the first home, having at least one user defined media channel, each of the at least one user defined media channel comprising a sequence of user selected and scheduled media, the user interface supporting selection and scheduling of the media (p.4, 53), at least one server storing the media, and having a second network protocol address, and server software that receives from the first home via a communication network a request for the delivery of media, the request comprising information securing payment for delivery, and that responds by coordinating the delivery of the media from

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the at least one server at the second network protocol address to the first storage at the first network protocol address for consumption by the first television display (p.3-4, 51); the media comprises at least one of audio, a still image, video, and data (p.2, 44); addresses are one of an Internet protocol network protocol (IP) address, a media access control (MAC) address, and an electronic serial number (ESN) (p.4, 53); the communication network comprises at least one of a cable infrastructure, a satellite network infrastructure, a digital subscriber line (DSL) infrastructure, an Internet infrastructure, an intranet infrastructure, a wired infrastructure, and a wireless infrastructure (p.4, 53); the communication network is the Internet (p.4, 53); one of playing digitized audio, displaying a still image, displaying video, and displaying data (p.2, 44); information securing payment for delivery comprises at least one of a device ID, a public key for encryption, information related to services, information regarding payment terms, information regarding billing, and media push/access restrictions and limitations (p.3, 49) ; the information securing payment for delivery is received via the communication network from a second user at a second home (p.3-4, 51-53); one media peripheral communicatively coupled to the first storage, the at least one media peripheral providing at least a portion of the information securing payment for delivery, and the media being delivered to the at least one media peripheral (p.3-4, 51-53); at least one media peripheral comprises at least one of a digital camera, a digital camcorder, a television, a personal computer, a CD player, a home juke-box, a multi-media gateway device, a multi-media personal digital assistant, a DVD player, a tape player, and a MP3 player (p.2, 44); wherein the identity of a user receiving media is

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unknown to the at least one server (p.3, 49); a first storage in the first home, the first storage supporting media consumption, and having an associated first protocol address, a second television display in a second home, and having an associated second protocol address, a user interface, at the first home, having at least one user defined media channel, each of the at least one user defined media channel comprising a sequence of user selected and scheduled media, the user interface supporting selection and scheduling of the media, at least one server storing the media, and server software that receives from the first home at the associated first protocol address, via a communication network, a request for the delivery of the media, the request comprising information securing payment for delivery, and that responds by coordinating the delivery of the media from one of the first storage and the at least one server to the second television display at the associated second protocol address for consumption p.3-4, 51-53); the at least one server comprises at least one of a 3rd party service provider, a media storage server, and a broadband head end (p.3-4, 51-53); at least one media peripheral communicatively coupled to the set top box circuit and the at least one media peripheral providing the media (p.4, 53, 55); and at least one of billing and payment is secured before delivery of the media occurs (p.4, 53).

Response to Arguments

Applicant's arguments with respect to claims 1-28 have been considered but are moot in view of the new ground(s) of rejection.

Conclusion

Any inquiry concerning this communication or earlier communications from the examiner should be directed to Lalita M. Hamilton whose telephone number is (571) 272-6743. The examiner can normally be reached on Tuesday-Thursday (6:30-2:30).

If attempts to reach the examiner by telephone are unsuccessful, the examiner's supervisor, Vincent Millin can be reached on (571) 272-6747. The fax phone number for the organization where this application or proceeding is assigned is 571-273-8300.

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